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SUBJECT: QADHAFI AND JALLUD SOUND OFF AGAINST U.S., JALLUD CONDEMNS "FALLACY" OF OIL CRISIS

- 1. AFTER PERIOD OF RELATIVE CIRCUMSPECTION FOR THEM, BOTH QADHAFI AND JALLUD MADE SPEECHES FEB 19 ATTACKING U.S. WE HAVE ONLY SUMMARY OF QADHAFI'S SPEECH, WHICH WAS GIVEN TO LIBYAN OFFICIALS AND STUDENTS WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED EIGHT WEEKS OF COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING (TRIPOLI 36). HE IS REPORTED TO HAVE SPOKEN ABOUT "NAKED PROVOCATIONS BY AMERICA ON THE LIBYAN SHORES". ANOTHER THEME WAS PROBABLY DISMISSAL OF WIDESPREAD COMPLAINTS ABOUT TRAINING. QADHAFI REPORTEDLY SAID THERE IS NO GOING BACK ON PROGRAM NOW.
- 2. JALLUD'S SPEECH WAS GIVEN TO CONGRESS OF ARAB OIL WORKERS, AND CONCENTRATED ON ECONOMIC THEMES. IN BETWEEN LOTS OF FUSTIAN HE SAID NOTABLY: "AMERICA KNOWS THE OIL CRISIS IS ONLY A TRUMPED-UP FALLACY. THERE IS NO CRISIS. ILLS WHICH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SUFFER FROM ARE CAUSED BY CAPITALIST SYSTEM AND INFLATION. AMERICA REFUSED TO EXCHANGE DOLLARS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOR ITS GOLD BEFORE OIL PRICES WENT UP. AMERICA AND IMPERIALISM

UNDERSTAND ONLY THE LANGUAGE OF FORCE. REACTIONARY REGIMES, ZIONISTS, AND ESPECIALLY AMERICA ARE PLOTTING TO STEAL OUR RIGHTS."

- 3. ON SUBJECT OF ENERGY CONFERENCES, JALLUD SAID: "IMPERIALISM HAS LED US INTO A FALSE POSITION. FOR EXAMPLE, WE ARE NOW TALKING ABOUT AN ENERGY CONFERENCE WHEREAS THERE CAN BE NO CONFERENCE ON ENERGY ALONE. OIL IS LIKE ANY OTHER RAW MATERIAL. IF THERE IS TO BE A CONFERENCE. IT SHOULD DISCUSS ECONOMIC POLICIES LIKE INFLATION, THE MONETARY SYSTEM, TRADE, RAW MATERIALS, AND FOOD, INDUSTRIAL-IZED COUNTRIES ARE TRYING TO CREATE A PROBLEM BY THEIR ATTEMPTS TO LINK PRICE OF OIL WITH TWENTY OR THIRTY KILOMETERS OF OCCUPIED ARAB LAND. THERE IS NO LINK BETWEEN WAR AND OIL CRISIS. JUST OIL PRICES ARE A NATURAL RIGHT, AND MUST STAY. WHAT WE ARE GETTING (FOR OUR OIL) ONLY REALLY REPRESENTS A MINIMUM AMOUNT. WITHDRAWAL MUST TAKE PLACE (ANYWAY). PROPOSED TRIPARTITE CONFERENCE BETWEEN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND CONSUMING AND PRODUCING COUNTRIES MUST BE BILATERAL, BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES WHO ARE CAUSE OF ECONOMIC CRISIS AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. IT IS FALLACY TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN CONSUMING, PRODUCING, AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, BECAUSE WE ARE A DEVELOPING COUNTRY, AND INDUSTRIAL-IZED COUNTRIES ARE CONSUMING COUNTRIES....."
- 4. COMMENT: IT SEEMS TO BE OPEN SEASON ON U.S. AGAIN FOR LIBYAN LEADERSHIP. JALLUD'S COMMENTS ON ENERGY CONFERENCE MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THAT LIBYANS ARE NOT IN MOOD TO LISTEN TO APPEALS TO REASON AND COOPERATION ON SUBJECT OF ENERGY.

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